



Homeless Service Providers Survey

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Main Points

- Of the 118 agencies surveyed, 52% responded with Anchorage having the highest rate of response.
- The number of homeless reported in Anchorage declined, while the communities of Juneau, Soldonta, and Wasila reported increases.
- Self-reported rates of homeless violence rose from 24% to 36% although this increase may be attributed to increased reporting rather than an actual rise in violence.
- Almost half of the homeless in the survey were male, single, and in their 30s.
- The number of reported homeless youth in Anchorage dropped from 13% in the last survey to 3%. This is the lowest number of homeless youth reported since the Summer of 1998.
- The percentage of Alaska Natives in the survey declined from 41% to 23%. This was due principally to the decline in participation from Regional Housing Authorities outside of Anchorage
- The most prevalent disability reported was mental illness, 17%
- The percentage of homeless with substance abuse problems continues to drop, down from 39% in the last winter survey to 32%.

Introduction

The Homeless Service Providers Survey defines homelessness based on standards established by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation. A person may be considered homeless if they lack a *fixed, regular, and adequate* nighttime residence or have a *primary* nighttime residence in any facility *not designed for permanent* living. The survey does not consider, as homeless, individuals who reside in permanent housing, unless the housing is substandard or overcrowded.

Please note that homeless surveys attempt to define a segment of the population that is dynamic and not easily identified or understood. There are many factors that generally limit the validity of such studies. Users of homeless surveys need to carefully examine the work done and consider the following limitations of all homeless research:

- 1) **Self-report** – Homeless surveys depend on self-disclosure and assume that people understand what it means to be homeless and furthermore, that people are comfortable in reporting self-characteristics that may be perceived as socially undesirable, such as mental illness or substance abuse.
- 2) **Overestimation** - Homeless surveys can overcount the number of homeless seeking services by not considering or controlling for duplication within and across agencies.
- 3) **Generalizing to the Entire Homeless Population** – Homeless surveys often attempt to make generalizations about the entire population from limited samples of shelters and food kitchens. It is important to note that homeless may also be found in domestic violence shelters, libraries, cars, parks, or other nontraditional locations.
- 4) **Rural Factors** - It is important to point out that there are pronounced differences between urban and rural areas when it comes to homelessness. While urban communities often have shelters, day centers, and food kitchens for the homeless, rural communities often lack these facilities. The absence of these facilities can result in reports which may incorrectly conclude that rural areas do not have a homeless problem. A rural community often relies on non-traditional shelter arrangements to take care of the homeless. Many persons in rural areas without a home may board with friends or relatives in substandard or overcrowded housing. The consequences of such living arrangements often place significant stress on a community.

The Homeless Service Providers Survey is a “*point-in-time estimate*” completed by service providers semi-annually on a predetermined day. The purpose of the survey is to gather descriptive information on the homeless who receive services from particular homeless agencies at “any given point in time.” Efforts are taken to identify and remove duplicates from the homeless survey. However, like all homeless surveys, this one does have limitations. The results of the survey are not intended to represent the entire homeless population and the reader is cautioned against making such generalizations.

Summary

The Winter 2001 Homeless Service Providers' Survey was conducted on July 25th, 2001. The survey was mailed out to 118 service providers. Responses were received from 62 of these agencies. Participating agencies reported servicing 1,489 unduplicated families and individuals, down by 8% from the January 31st, 2001 survey. Homeless were reported in 18 of the 26 surveyed communities. Providers in Anchorage reported the bulk of the homeless cases at 59%, followed by Juneau at 19%. The number of homeless reported in Juneau has increased from 197 to 294 since the Winter 2001 Survey.

While the majority of homeless continue to be white males in their 30s, the percentage with complex problems has dropped slightly from the Winter 2001 Survey. Homeless with substance abuse problems dropped from 39% to 32%. Homeless with disabilities also dropped from 39% to 33%. However, violence reported among the homeless has grown substantially since the Winter 2001 survey. Close to 36% reported being a victim of violence, up 12%.

In Anchorage, a more pronounced drop in substance abuse was reported by agencies. The percentage of homeless with substance abuse dropped from 39% to 26%. Additionally, the total number who reported a disability dropped 5% since the prior survey. Rates of violence against the homeless, however, rose by 9%.

Homeless Agency Duplication Statistics

Client data from the July 26th, 2001 survey were compared with the January 31, 2001 survey to identify duplicates. A total of 190 homeless were matched. The homeless reported in the January 31, 2001 and the July 26th, 2001 survey were more likely to be males with a disability or a substance abuse issue. Additionally, there was a higher percentage of veterans among the homeless. These findings are consistent with national data which suggests that those who experience prolonged homelessness often experience multiple problems. The successful transition of this cohort to housing is a complicated process that often requires support beyond food and shelter.

The homeless cases reported were analyzed for duplication across agencies. Incomplete cases were not included in the analysis. Of the 1,489 cases reported by agencies, 168 were duplicated across agencies. The bulk of the duplicates, 89%, were reported in Anchorage and occurred primarily in shelters and agencies that provided food. The remaining cases were primarily in Juneau, reported by day centers and shelters.

Homeless Victims of Violence

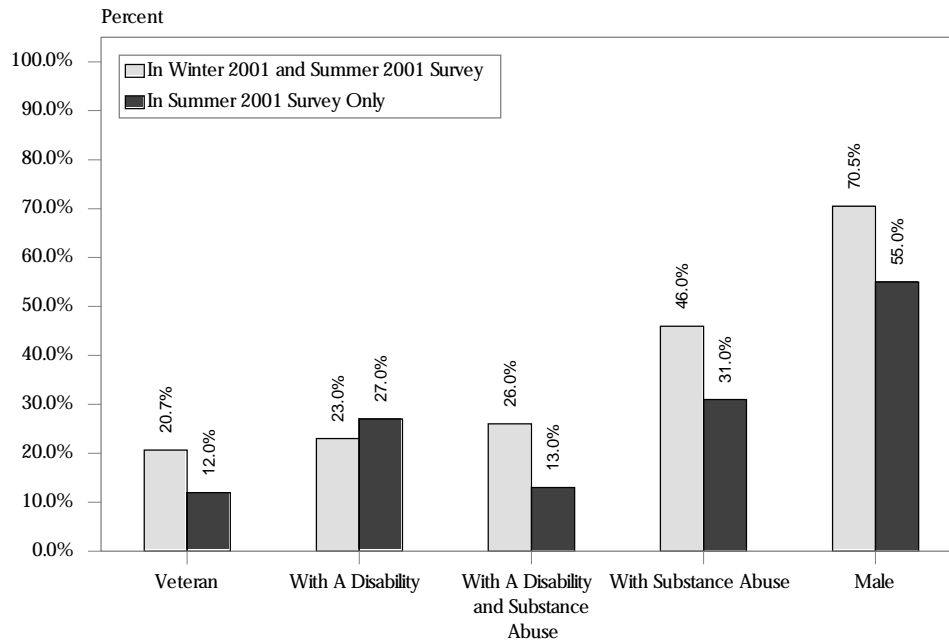
Homeless agencies continue to report high rates of violence against the homeless. Over 39% of the homeless documented in this survey also reported being a victim of assault and/or domestic violence. This represents an increase of 12% from the Winter 2001 Homeless Survey. Homeless providers have suggested that the increase may not reflect an actual rise in violence against the homeless, but instead, increased awareness and reporting among the homeless. According to one emergency shelter provider, the homeless are now more likely to report when something happens to them, as opposed to two years ago.

Characteristics of Homeless Reported In Current and Last Survey

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Table 1

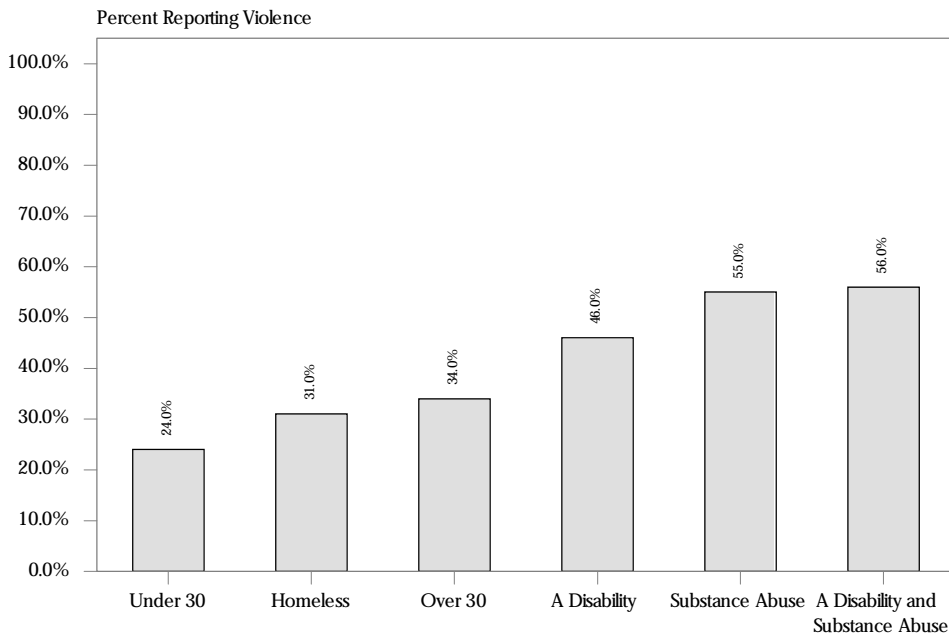


Risk Factors for Violence: Females Who Are Homeless

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Summary

Risk Factors For Violence Among The Homeless

The results of the survey indicate that homeless females are almost three-times more likely than homeless males to report being victims of violence. Over 31% of homeless females reported violence vs. 12% for males. The difference between the genders may be explained by agency participation in the survey. Over 20% of the agencies who provided statistics served female victims of domestic violence. Additionally, the U.S. Department of Justice reports that while males are more likely to be victims of violence, females are more likely to be victims of domestic violence and more likely to report episodes of simple assault.

Additional factors related to violence include substance abuse and disability. Females and males with a disability were more likely to report violence -- 46% and 18% respectively. Further females and males with a substance abuse problem were more likely to report violence. For females this rate was over 55%.

Substance Abuse

While the reported rate of substance abuse declined from 39% to 33%, certain demographic factors were associated with higher risk among the homeless surveyed. Males were more likely than females to report a substance abuse problem - 36% vs. 24%. Higher rates of substance abuse were reported for both males (46%) and females (29%) outside of Anchorage. Males and females with disability were more likely to report a substance abuse problem if they lived in Anchorage (54%).

Disability

Most communities reported a drop in the total number of reported homeless with a disability. The drop was most significant outside of Anchorage where the reported number of homeless dropped from 39% to 32%. While homeless with mental illness and developmental disability declined statewide, the percentage with physical disability increased from 15% to 17%. The increase was due chiefly to a growing number of homeless with physical disability using emergency shelters in Anchorage.

Homeless Data Available on AHFC's Web Page

Reports on AHFC's Homeless Service Provider's Survey are available at AHFC's web page - www.ahfc.state.ak.us. Data on surveys dating back to July 1994 can be obtained by selecting the "Download" option from the opening page on AHFC's web site. Survey results are also available through email. If you wish to receive future homeless survey results through e-mail please contact:

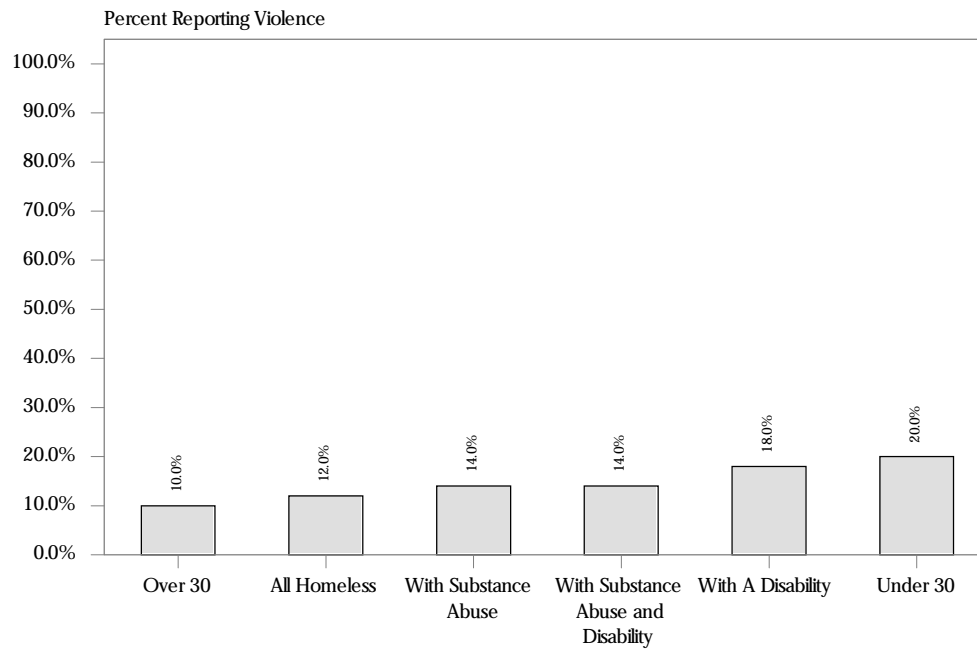
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Risk Factors for Violence: Males Who Are Homeless

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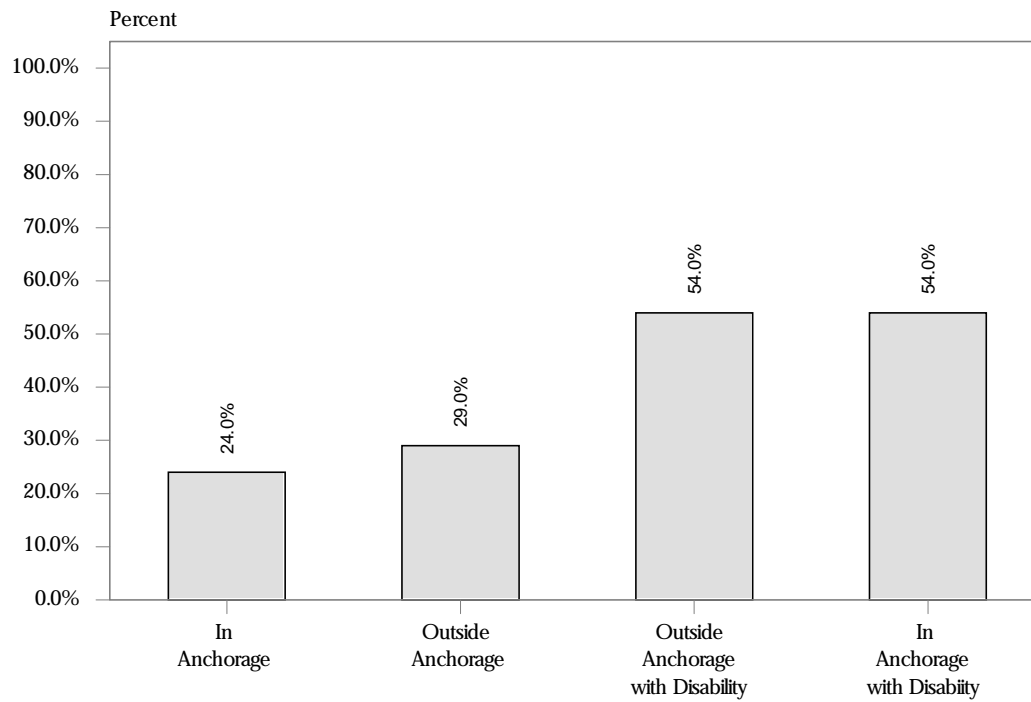


Substance Abuse Risk Factors: Females Who Are Homeless

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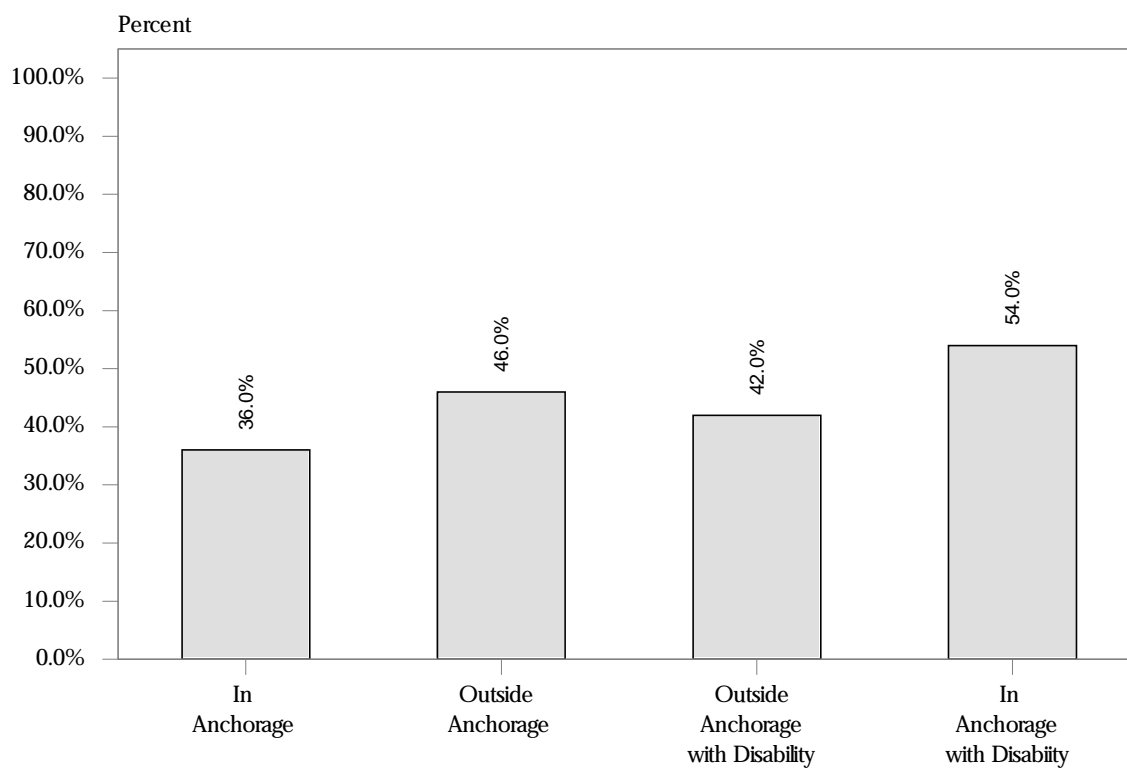


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| 1 | Survey Participation | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|--|-----------------|---------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Surveys Sent | 118 | 100.00% | 27 | 27.27% | 91 | 72.73% |
| | Surveys Returned | 62 | 52.54% | 20 | 74.07% | 42 | 46.15% |
| | Surveys Returned By Facility Type (Number may exceed total surveys returned because each agency may have more than one type of program) | | | | | | |
| | Other (e.g., Day Centers, Case Management) | 35 | 40.70% | 17 | 45.95% | 18 | 36.73% |
| | Permanent Supported Housing Facility | 2 | 2.33% | 1 | 2.08% | 1 | 2.04% |
| | Shelter | 25 | 29.07% | 6 | 12.50% | 19 | 38.78% |
| | Transitional Housing | 24 | 27.91% | 13 | 27.08% | 11 | 22.45% |

| 2 | Homeless Count | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|---|-----------------|---------|----------------|---------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Cases Reported By Agencies ² | 1,575 | 100.00% | 957 | 60.76% | 618 | 30.39% |
| | Total Homeless Including Household Members ³ | 1,816 | | 1,118 | | 698 | |
| | Total Homeless Unduplicated Cases Reported | 1,489 | 94.54% | 882 | 92.16% | 607 | 98.22% |
| | Change in Cases From Last Survey (Unduplicated) | -82 | -5.51% | -126 | -14.29% | 44 | 7.25% |
| | Total Homeless Living With Another Household | 258 | 17.33% | 190 | 21.54% | 68 | 11.20% |
| | Total Homeless That Did Not Provide SSN | 19 | 1.28% | 13 | 1.47% | 6 | 0.99% |
| | Total Homeless Name Not Available | 376 | 25.25% | 155 | 17.57% | 221 | 36.41% |
| | Total Homeless That Did Not Provide Name And SSN | 375 | 25.18% | 156 | 17.69% | 219 | 36.08% |
| | Total Homeless Families | 367 | 24.65% | 205 | 23.24% | 162 | 26.69% |

| 3 | Homeless Gender and Age | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Male | 849 | 57.02% | 542 | 61.45% | 307 | 50.58% |
| | Total Female | 640 | 42.98% | 340 | 38.55% | 300 | 49.42% |
| | Total Male Under 18 Years | 22 | 1.48% | 17 | 1.93% | 5 | 0.82% |
| | Total Female Under 18 Years | 13 | 0.87% | 9 | 1.02% | 4 | 0.66% |
| | Average Homeless Age | 38.8 | | 39.5 | | 37.8 | |
| | Total Homeless 62 years or older | 71 | 4.77% | 49 | 5.56% | 22 | 3.62% |

| 4 | Homeless Marital & Veteran Status | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|---|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Homeless Divorced | 211 | 14.17% | 117 | 13.27% | 94 | 15.49% |
| | Total Homeless Married | 132 | 8.87% | 73 | 8.28% | 59 | 9.72% |
| | Total Homeless Single | 983 | 66.02% | 587 | 66.55% | 396 | 65.24% |
| | Total Homeless Separated | 40 | 2.69% | 23 | 2.61% | 17 | 2.80% |
| | Total Homeless Undisclosed Marital Status | 98 | 6.58% | 68 | 7.71% | 30 | 4.94% |
| | Total Homeless Window/Widower | 25 | 1.68% | 14 | 1.59% | 11 | 1.81% |
| | Total Homeless Veteran | 193 | 13.01% | 124 | 14.07% | 69 | 11.46% |

| 5 | Homeless Ethnic/Race Characteristics | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|--|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Homeless Asian/P. Islander | 81 | 5.44% | 39 | 4.42% | 42 | 6.92% |
| | Total Homeless Alaska Native | 343 | 23.04% | 261 | 29.59% | 82 | 13.51% |
| | Total Homeless African-American | 142 | 9.54% | 115 | 13.04% | 27 | 4.45% |
| | Total Homeless Hispanic | 60 | 4.03% | 42 | 4.76% | 18 | 2.97% |
| | Total Homeless American Indian | 20 | 1.34% | 11 | 1.25% | 9 | 1.48% |
| | Total Homeless Other/Mixed Race, Ethnic Origin | 30 | 2.01% | 22 | 2.49% | 8 | 1.32% |
| | Total Homeless Did Not Disclose Race | 93 | 6.25% | 6 | 0.68% | 87 | 14.33% |
| | Total Homeless White | 720 | 48.35% | 386 | 43.76% | 334 | 55.02% |

| 6 | Disability Characteristics ¹⁰ | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|---|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Percentage Homeless Mentally Ill | 245 | 16.71% | 117 | 13.57% | 128 | 21.19% |
| | Percentage Homeless with Substance Abuse Problems | 475 | 31.90% | 225 | 25.51% | 250 | 41.19% |
| | Percentage Homeless Victims of Violence ¹¹ | 475 | 35.53% | 251 | 32.98% | 224 | 38.89% |
| | Percentage Homeless Developmentally Disability | 125 | 8.54% | 81 | 9.41% | 44 | 7.30% |
| | Percentage Homeless Physical Disability | 243 | 16.60% | 160 | 18.65% | 83 | 13.70% |
| | Percentage Homeless with a Disability | 486 | 33.33% | 292 | 34.03% | 194 | 32.33% |
| | Percentage Homeless w/Disability & Substance Abuse | 214 | 18.59% | 111 | 15.25% | 103 | 24.35% |

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| 8 | Duplicate Cases Survey Participation | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|--|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|-------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Duplicate Cases | 168 | 10.67% | 150 | 15.67% | 18 | 2.91% |
| | Duplicates from Last Survey | 191 | 12.13% | 131 | 13.69% | 60 | 9.71% |
| | Total Unique Clients Duplicated | 85 | 5.40% | 76 | 7.94% | 9 | 1.46% |
| | Average Number of Duplicate Cases Per Unique Client ⁴ | 2 | | 2 | | 2 | |

| 9 | Duplicate Cases Disability Characteristics | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|---|---|-----------------|---------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Unduplicated Clients ⁵ | 1,407 | 100.00% | 809 | 66.06% | 598 | 33.94% |
| | With Any Disability | 450 | 36.98% | 259 | 42.18% | 191 | 31.67% |
| | With A Disability and Substance Abuse | 201 | 16.38% | 99 | 15.92% | 102 | 16.86% |
| | Duplicated Clients ⁶ | 168 | 100.00% | 150 | 96.00% | 9 | 4.00% |
| | With Any Disability | 69 | 53.49% | 63 | 56.76% | 6 | 33.33% |
| | With a Disability and Substance Abuse | 24 | 18.60% | 22 | 19.82% | 2 | 11.11% |

| 10 | Duplicate Cases Community of Origin Characteristics | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|----|--|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|---------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Unduplicated Clients ⁵ | | | | | | |
| | Anchorage, Juneau, or Fairbanks | 750 | 53.30% | 519 | 64.15% | 231 | 38.63% |
| | Rural Alaskan Community | 192 | 13.65% | 35 | 4.33% | 157 | 26.25% |
| | Outside Alaska | 65 | 4.62% | 39 | 4.82% | 26 | 4.35% |
| | Did Not Disclose/Unknown | 400 | 28.43% | 216 | 26.70% | 184 | 30.77% |
| | Duplicated Clients ⁶ | | | | | | |
| | Anchorage, Juneau, or Fairbanks | 107 | 63.69% | 97 | 64.67% | 10 | 111.11% |
| | Rural Alaskan Community | 9 | 5.36% | 7 | 4.67% | 2 | 22.22% |
| | Outside Alaska | 19 | 11.31% | 13 | 8.67% | 6 | 66.67% |
| | Did Not Disclose/Unknown | 33 | 19.64% | 33 | 22.00% | 0 | 0.00% |

| 11 | Children With Homeless Families ⁷ Cases | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|----|---|-----------------|---------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Cases | 95 | 100.00% | 35 | 36.84% | 60 | 63.16% |
| | Total Male | 46 | 48.42% | 21 | 60.00% | | 0.00% |
| | Total Female | 49 | 51.58% | 14 | 40.00% | | 0.00% |
| | Average Age | 7.1 | | 6.5 | | 7.5 | |
| | Average Family Size | 3.6 | | 3.8 | | 3.5 | |
| | Number With Families Who Are Doubled Up | 8 | 8.4% | 5 | 14.29% | 3 | 5.00% |

| 12 | Children With Homeless Families Ethnic/Race Characteristics | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|----|--|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Hispanic (all races) | 11 | 11.58% | 6 | 17.14% | 5 | 8.33% |
| | Total White | 29 | 30.53% | 7 | 20.00% | 22 | 36.67% |
| | Total African American | 3 | 3.16% | 3 | 8.57% | 0 | 0.00% |
| | Total Am. Indian/Ak. Native | 11 | 11.58% | 6 | 17.14% | 5 | 8.33% |
| | Total Asian/P. Islander | 32 | 33.68% | 9 | 25.71% | 23 | 38.33% |
| | Total Other race/ethnic origin | 9 | 9.47% | 4 | 11.43% | 5 | 8.33% |

| 13 | Children With Homeless Families Other Characteristics | State of Alaska | | Anchorage Only | | State w/o Anchorage | |
|----|--|-----------------|--------|----------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| | | # | % | # | % | # | % |
| | Total Mentally Ill | 5 | 5.26% | 5 | 14.29% | 0 | 0.00% |
| | Total Victims of Violence | 39 | 41.05% | 11 | 31.43% | 28 | 46.67% |
| | Total Developmentally Disabled | 4 | 4.21% | 1 | 2.86% | 3 | 5.00% |

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| 14 | Homeless Reported By Community ⁸ | Winter 1999 | Summer 1999 | Winter 2000 | Summer 2000 | Winter 2001 | Summer 2001 |
|----|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Anchorage | 931 | 797 | 904 | 626 | 1008 | 889 |
| | Barrow | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Bethel | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 19 | 19 |
| | Copper Center | | | | | 1 | 0 |
| | Cordova | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Dillingham | 97 | 3 | 2 | 13 | 13 | 2 |
| | Emmonak | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Fairbanks | 153 | 58 | 175 | 29 | 168 | 112 |
| | Glenallen | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | Haines | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | Homer | 6 | 10 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 11 |
| | Juneau | 68 | 91 | 129 | 127 | 197 | 294 |
| | Ketchikan | 1 | 23 | 24 | 0 | 20 | 18 |
| | Kenai | 36 | 13 | 28 | 23 | 34 | 21 |
| | Kodiak | 23 | 21 | 30 | 22 | 21 | 23 |
| | Nome | 6 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| | Palmer | 12 | 22 | 17 | 15 | 17 | 16 |
| | Seward | 10 | 15 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 1 |
| | Sitka | 4 | 4 | 4 | 19 | 17 | 4 |
| | Skagway | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Soldotna | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 27 |
| | Talkeetna | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Unalaska | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| | Valdez | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| | Wasilla | 21 | 21 | 35 | 40 | 41 | 45 |
| | Wrangell | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Total | 1381 | 1102 | 1375 | 924 | 1571 | 1489 |

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| 15 | # | Community | Participating Agency | Cases Reported ⁹ |
|----|----|------------|---|-----------------------------|
| | 1 | Anchorage | Abbott Loop Community Church | 10 |
| | 2 | Anchorage | Alaska Baptist Family Services | 7 |
| | 3 | Anchorage | Alaska Youth and Parents Foundation | 13 |
| | 4 | Anchorage | Alaskan AIDS Assistance Association | 14 |
| | 5 | Anchorage | Anchorage Center for Families | 10 |
| | 6 | Anchorage | Anchorage Mutual Housing | 117 |
| | 7 | Anchorage | AWAIC | 20 |
| | 8 | Anchorage | Beans Caf  | 157 |
| | 9 | Anchorage | Beyond Shelter Program | 69 |
| | 10 | Anchorage | Brother Francis Shelter | 160 |
| | 11 | Anchorage | Clare House | 11 |
| | 12 | Anchorage | Cook Inlet Housing Authority | 0 |
| | 13 | Anchorage | Covenant House Alaska | 46 |
| | 14 | Anchorage | Homeward Bound | 19 |
| | 15 | Anchorage | Lutheran Social Services of Alaska | 8 |
| | 16 | Anchorage | Municipality of Anchorage Safe Cities Program | 69 |
| | 17 | Anchorage | Southcentral Counseling Center | 57 |
| | 18 | Anchorage | The Arc of Anchorage | 9 |
| | 19 | Anchorage | The Salvation Army - Clithroe Center | 43 |
| | 20 | Anchorage | The Salvation Army - McKinnell Shelter | 23 |
| | 21 | Bethel | Bethel Community Services | 17 |
| | 22 | Bethel | Tundra Women's Coalition | 2 |
| | 23 | Cordova | The Salvation Army - Cordova | 0 |
| | 24 | Dillingham | Safe and Fear Free Environment | 4 |
| | 25 | Fairbanks | Fairbanks Native Association | 48 |
| | 26 | Fairbanks | Fairbanks Rescue Mission | 36 |
| | 27 | Fairbanks | Interior AIDS Association | 1 |
| | 28 | Fairbanks | Interior Regional Housing Authority | 0 |
| | 29 | Fairbanks | The Salvation Army - Fairbanks | 8 |
| | 30 | Fairbanks | WICCA | 16 |
| | 31 | Haines | The Salvation Army - Haines | 0 |
| | 32 | Homer | Homer Community Food Pantry | 10 |
| | 33 | Homer | South Peninsula Womens Services | 0 |
| | 34 | Homer | The Salvation Army - Homer | 0 |
| | 35 | Juneau | AWARE | 8 |
| | 36 | Juneau | Bartlett Memorial Hospital | 1 |
| | 37 | Juneau | Gastineau Human Services | 54 |
| | 38 | Juneau | Juneau Youth Services | 7 |
| | 39 | Juneau | St Vincent Depaul | 68 |
| | 40 | Juneau | The Glory Hole | 81 |
| | 41 | Juneau | The Salvation Army - Juneau | 4 |
| | 42 | Kenai | The Salvation Army - Kenai | 0 |
| | 43 | Kenai | Women's Resource and Crisis Center | 29 |
| | 44 | Ketchikan | Ketchikan Committee for the Homeless/Park Avenue Shelter | 7 |
| | 45 | Ketchikan | Women in Safe Homes | 2 |
| | 46 | Klawock | The Salvation Army - Klawock | 0 |
| | 47 | Kodiak | Brother Francis Shelter - Kodiak | 17 |
| | 48 | Kodiak | Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center | 0 |
| | 49 | Kodiak | Providence Kodiak Island Mental Health Center | 6 |
| | 50 | Palmer | Daybreak Senior Center | 1 |
| | 51 | Palmer | Palmer Senior Citizens Center | 1 |
| | 52 | Palmer | Valley Women's Resource Center | 9 |
| | 53 | Seward | Seaview Community Services | 1 |
| | 54 | Sitka | Baranoff Island Housing Authority | 0 |
| | 55 | Sitka | Sitkans Against Family Violence | 10 |
| | 56 | Soldotna | Central Peninsula Counseling Services | 22 |
| | 57 | Statewide | Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Public Housing Wait List | 344 |
| | 58 | Unalaska | Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence | 2 |
| | 59 | Valdez | Advocates for Victims of Violence | 2 |
| | 60 | Wasilla | Life Quest Mental Health Center | 30 |
| | 61 | Wasilla | Nugents Ranch | 20 |
| | 62 | Wrangell | The Salvation Army - Wrangell | 0 |
| | | | | 1,730 |

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| 16 | Survey Participation | State of Alaska | | | | | | | | | | | | Anchorage | | | | | | | | | | | | Rest of State | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|---|-----------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|---------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|----|----|
| | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | | |
| | | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | Jan | Jul | | | |
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| | Percentage Of Surveys Received | 63 | 53 | 68 | 65 | 60 | 65 | 60 | 68 | 79 | 57 | 54 | 53 | 63 | 53 | 68 | 65 | 60 | 65 | 60 | 67 | 86 | 67 | 68 | 74 | 63 | 53 | 68 | 65 | 60 | 65 | 60 | 67 | 69 | 54 | 49 | 46 | |
| | Percentage Change In Unduplicated Homeless Reported | 13 | 4 | -3 | 17 | -14 | -2 | 36 | -20 | 25 | -33 | 26 | -8 | 30 | 11 | -7 | 27 | -9 | -5 | 37 | -14 | 13 | -31 | 38 | -13 | -4 | -6 | 5 | 4 | -25 | 3 | 33 | -32 | 54 | -37 | 4 | -8 | |
| | Percentage Of Duplicate Cases | | | | | | | | | 20 | 14 | 12 | 7 | 11 | | | | | | | 25 | 19 | 16 | 8 | 16 | | | | | | | | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | |
| | Percentage of Cases Duplicated With Last Survey | | | | | | | | | 15 | 8 | 18 | 11 | 12 | | | | | | | | 18 | 10 | 4 | 13 | 14 | | | | | | | | 6 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 10 |

| 17 | Homeless Gender and Age | State of Alaska | | | | | | | | | | | | Anchorage | | | | | | | | | | | | Rest of State | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|---------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|----|
| | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | |
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| | Percentage Male | 65 | 59 | 65 | 59 | 58 | 54 | 51 | 55 | 60 | 64 | 59 | 57 | 65 | 70 | 70 | 63 | 61 | 55 | 59 | 52 | 66 | 68 | 62 | 62 | 60 | 50 | 57 | 53 | 49 | 55 | 52 | 62 | 54 | 56 | 52 | 51 |
| | Percentage Female | 35 | 41 | 35 | 39 | 31 | 37 | 32 | 32 | 40 | 36 | 41 | 43 | 35 | 30 | 30 | 35 | 26 | 41 | 30 | 30 | 33 | 32 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 50 | 43 | 45 | 48 | 41 | 46 | 38 | 46 | 44 | 47 | 49 |
| | Percentage Male under 18 years | 9 | 13 | 10 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 12 | 10 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 1 |
| | Percentage Female under 18 years | 8 | 12 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 11 | 17 | 11 | 12 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| | Percentage 62 years or older | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 4 |
| | Average Age | 33 | 32 | 34 | 33 | 39 | 37 | 37 | 38 | 36 | 40 | 35 | 39 | 34 | 36 | 36 | 35 | 38 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 35 | 40 | 34 | 38 | 28 | 25 | 25 | 29 | 37 | 37 | 36 | 37 | 37 | 39 | 37 | 38 |

| 18 | Disability Features | State of Alaska | | | | | | | | | | | | Anchorage | | | | | | | | | | | | Rest of State | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|--|-----------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|---------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|----|
| | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1997 | | 1998 | | 1999 | | 2000 | | 2001 | |
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| | Percentage Homeless Mentally Ill | 14 | 22 | 14 | 24 | 22 | 15 | 19 | 21 | 23 | 23 | 20 | 17 | 14 | 22 | 14 | 24 | 22 | 15 | 19 | 21 | 23 | 23 | 20 | 14 | 18 | 24 | 18 | 15 | 25 | 20 | 14 | 22 | 25 | 24 | 26 | 21 |
| | Percentage Homeless with Substance Abuse Problems | 36 | 40 | 32 | 33 | 42 | 40 | 36 | 43 | 44 | 43 | 39 | 32 | 36 | 40 | 32 | 33 | 42 | 40 | 36 | 43 | 44 | 43 | 39 | 26 | 29 | 29 | 24 | 26 | 37 | 41 | 28 | 43 | 49 | 46 | 39 | 41 |
| | Percentage Homeless Victims of Violence | 32 | 32 | 23 | 26 | 20 | 21 | 18 | 24 | 24 | 30 | 24 | 36 | 32 | 32 | 23 | 26 | 20 | 21 | 18 | 24 | 24 | 30 | 24 | 33 | 34 | 37 | 29 | 29 | 23 | 23 | 19 | 29 | 33 | 34 | 28 | 39 |
| | Percentage Homeless Developmentally Disability | 7 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 6 | 6 | 10 | 7 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 7 |
| | Percentage Homeless Physical Disability | 14 | 11 | 13 | 10 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 21 | 18 | 15 | 17 | 14 | 11 | 13 | 10 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 21 | 18 | 15 | 19 | 7 | 5 | 12 | 6 | 13 | 10 | 14 | 19 | 20 | 23 | 16 | 14 |
| | Percentage Homeless with a Disability | 29 | 31 | 27 | 32 | 34 | 27 | 33 | 31 | 39 | 38 | 39 | 33 | 29 | 31 | 27 | 32 | 34 | 27 | 33 | 31 | 39 | 38 | 39 | 34 | 27 | 30 | 31 | 21 | 38 | 26 | 28 | 34 | 39 | 41 | 39 | 32 |
| | Percentage Homeless w/Disability & Substance Abuse | 13 | 17 | 12 | 16 | 14 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 22 | 19 | 20 | 19 | 13 | 17 | 12 | 16 | 14 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 22 | 19 | 20 | 15 | 10 | 13 | 11 | 10 | 6 | 17 | 11 | 15 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 24 |

| 19 | Community of Residence Last Six Months | State of Alaska | | | | | | | | | | | | Anchorage | | | | | | | | | | | | Rest of State | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|---|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|
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| | Percentage - Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau | | | | | 28 | 59 | 63 | 63 | 66 | 63 | 54 | 54 | | | | | 29 | 69 | 75 | 73 | 71 | 70 | 63 | 64 | | | | | | | 26 | 36 | 42 | 34 | 59 | 47 | 39 | 39 |
| | Percentage - Anywhere but Anchorage, Fbks, & Juneau | | | | | 26 | 19 | 20 | 17 | 14 | 19 | 16 | 13 | | | | | 24 | 11 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 4 | 5 | | | | | | 31 | 35 | 48 | 50 | 30 | 43 | 37 | 26 | |
| | Percentage - Out of State | | | | | 27 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 | | | | | 27 | 7 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | | | | | | 27 | 10 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 5 | |

Homeless Service Providers Survey

Summary of Findings - (This survey is not a census of Alaska's homeless population)

July 25, 2001

IMPORTANT: The figures do not represent the total homeless population of the State of Alaska.

The survey is a one-day count of the homeless served by participating agencies

Unless otherwise indicated, all homeless client demographics are calculated from unduplicated cases.

Notes:

1. Because agencies have more than one homeless service, this categorization is provided
2. All cases reported by agencies except those in Permanent Housing and Correctional Facilities
3. Total Homeless + Total Household Members Reported Per Case
4. Average number of duplicates per client = Total Duplicate Cases/ Total Unique Clients Duplicated
5. All clients that were not reported more than once across agencies
6. Clients that were reported more than once by one or more agencies
7. Children with families = any children reported by homeless agencies who were with families (Not included in Total Count)
8. Unduplicated cases per community, does not include Permanent Housing and Children with Families
9. These are cases reported by agencies and include Permanent Housing, Children with Families and People in Correctional Facilities. Not all of these meet the AHFC/HUD definition of homelessness
10. The percentage calculation for disabilities and veteran status does not include unknown cases
11. A significant number of homeless surveys contained the text 'domestic violence' instead of 'violence.' However, the increase in number of cases reported compared to the prior survey suggests that most agencies continued to report all victims of violence instead of victims of domestic violence.